



KING COUNTY  
Healthcare  
Coalition

Prepare. Respond. Recover.

# ★★ RMRC BULLETIN ★★

## I-5 LANE CLOSURES: AUGUST 10-29 Stage 5 Underway

August 21, 2007

Bulletin #5

Next Bulletin:

After I-5 fully reopens

### Closure Dates:

August 10, 22:00 to  
August 29, 05:00

### What is the RMRC?

The RMRC is the operational arm of the King County Healthcare Coalition. It provides a central coordinating point for resource management and communications coordination. For more information, visit <http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hccoalition/>

### Closure Debrief for Healthcare Partners\*\*:

August 30, 2007, 7:30am  
Region 6 Meeting  
KCECC, Renton  
For more info, contact  
Allison Schletzbaum at  
aschletz@u.washington.edu

\*\*Pending completed construction

# Stage 5

Estimated Start: Monday, August 20

Estimated Finish: Saturday, August 25

### Stage 4 COMPLETE

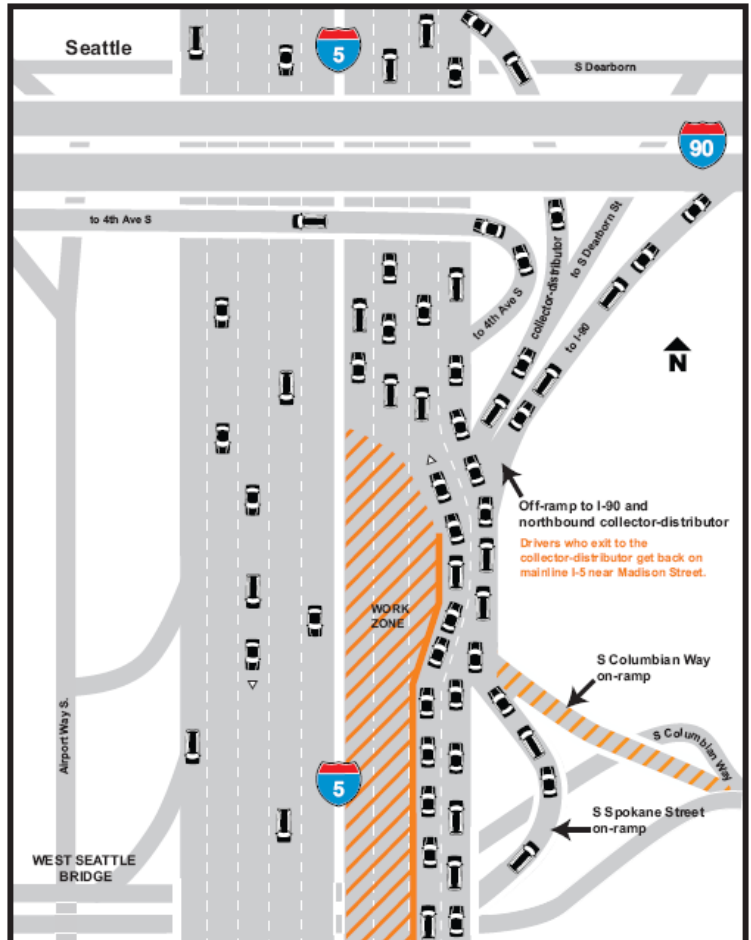
- Stage 4 occurred over the weekend.
- Access to NB I-5 from the West Seattle Bridge was closed.
- The S Columbian Way onramp was closed.
- Only one lane plus the collector-distributor lane were open.

### Stage 5 Underway

- Access to NB I-5 from the West Seattle Bridge is open.
- S Columbian Way onramp remains closed.
- Two lanes open through the construction zone.

### Other Things to Consider

- Despite rain, construction remains ahead of schedule.
- More drivers are hitting the roads despite advisories to make alternate plans. This has increased traffic.
- Closures could end earlier than Saturday if construction continues ahead of schedule.
- Sounder Transit has not announced whether the extra train will continue through the 29th if construction ends early.



### Contacting the RMRC between August 10-29



Allison Schletzbaum  
(206) 744-6213



[rmrc@kchealthrac.org](mailto:rmrc@kchealthrac.org)

For after hours assistance, please call the  
Public Health Duty Officer at  
(206) 296-4606.



KING COUNTY  
Healthcare  
Coalition

Prepare. Respond. Recover.

August 21, 2007

Bulletin #5

Next Bulletin:

After I-5 fully reopens

Closure Dates:

August 10, 22:00 to  
August 29, 05:00

What is the RMRC?

The RMRC is the operational arm of the King County Healthcare Coalition. It provides a central coordinating point for resource management and communications coordination. For more information, visit <http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hccoalition/>

Closure Debrief for  
Healthcare  
Partners\*\*:

August 30, 2007, 7:30am  
Region 6 Meeting  
KCECC, Renton  
For more info, contact  
Allison Schletzbaum at  
[aschletz@u.washington.edu](mailto:aschletz@u.washington.edu)

\*\*Pending completed  
construction

# ★ ★ RMRC BULLETIN ★ ★

## Healthcare Transportation Preparedness

The I-5 Closures have reinforced the criticality of major transportation routes and highlighted the need for all healthcare facilities to identify their critical access routes.

**Work with Your local Office of Emergency Management** to ensure that your facilities are notified of major construction projects affecting your area. Ensure your facilities are on the snow removal lists. Identify critical access routes and share that information with local Emergency Management and the RMRC.

**Work with the Regional Medical Resource Center** to inform us about critical access routes. Share the work you've done regarding transportation preparedness. Outline your mitigation plans for predictable transportation issues during a response. As the RMRC continues its planning, having this information will help us respond more quickly to issues during an emergency event.

**Work within your facility** to prepare for transportation emergencies. Inventory your transportation resources. Develop a snow carpool system leveraging staff with 4x4 vehicles. Encourage carpool and vanpools. Help staff access mass transit information. Ensure that your Emergency Operations Plan outlines techniques for dealing with staff shortages brought on by transportation issues. Determine if your current missed-appointment policies will change during a major transportation event.

**Work with vendors** to ensure that their transportation capabilities meet your emergency needs. Verify that they can meet their contractual obligations. Identify their support networks (e.g., national organizational support, local MOUs, etc.). Inquire about where your facility ranks on the re-supply list.

**Stage 1** - ~~Friday, August 10, 22:00 to Monday, August 13~~

**Stage 2** - ~~Monday, August 13 to Wednesday, August 15~~

**Stage 3** - ~~Thursday, August 16 to Friday, August 17~~

**Stage 4** - ~~Saturday, August 18 to Sunday, August 19~~

**Stage 5** - ~~Monday, August 20 to Saturday, August 25~~

*\*\*These stages are weather dependant and may change.  
Dates in **RED** have changed.*

## Resources

Contact your local EOC to liaison with DOT during the project.

Contact the RMRC for assistance with medical vendor issues during the project.

Check this website during the project for updates: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I5/SpokaneStreetBridgeRepair/>

## Questions?

Allison Schletzbaum, RMRC Project Manager  
(206) 744-6213  
[aschletz@u.washington.edu](mailto:aschletz@u.washington.edu)

WSDOT Communications  
(206) 440-4704  
[i5Seattle@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:i5Seattle@wsdot.wa.gov)  
Staffed from 6am-11pm throughout closure. You will reach a person, not a recording.